

SCORES POLICE FOR SETTING EXCISE TRAP

Magistrate Breen Says They
Had No Justification and
Discharges Arrested Men.

Magistrate Breen, in Jefferson Market Court today, discharged from custody James B. Conroy and James E. Smith, who were arrested about 1 o'clock last Sunday morning by plain clothes men, Kinsinger and Coffey, of the new West Twentieth street police station, in a saloon at No. 262 Seventh avenue, charged with violating the Excise Law.

Magistrate Breen, in discharging the prisoners, said:

"The evidence shows that the two police officers, disguised as teamsters, entered the saloon of the defendant at ten minutes to 12 o'clock on a Saturday night, seated themselves in a back room and called for drinks, which were served to them. With the drinks before them they lingered in the place until after the closing hour, and then placed the proprietor and his waiter under arrest."

"This seems to be an unusual method of procuring evidence of excise violations. With the city infested with criminals of every class and description these officers set out to lure a business man into a violation of what is merely a regulation for the sale of liquor. The object of the Sunday regulation is to secure a reasonable and quiet Sunday. There is no justification for police officers to enter by trick and deale into basic crime of saloons on Sundays."

"Being asked why they entered the saloon before 12 o'clock, one of the officers answered that they were afraid they would not obtain admission had they waited until after that hour. Their goal to obtain evidence in this particular case was to say the least, borderline. Indeed, it is fair to assume that this extreme device to which they had recourse was stimulated by some motive not apparent on the surface."

"In view of the testimony of several witnesses for the defendants, that these officers were served with no drinks after 12 o'clock, I must dismiss from consideration the testimony of the officers on that point as of little value."

"The defendants are discharged."

FRISCO BANKERS INDICTED.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 20.—J. D. Brown and W. J. Harnett, former officials of the defunct California State Bank and Trust Company, have been indicted for alleged embezzlement of the Colton estate securities.

The Coward Shoe

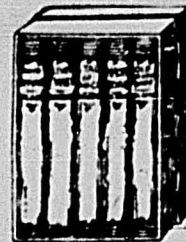
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THE accurate, pliable fit of the COWARD BUNION SHOE, over the swollen joint, relieves the pressure and chafing, allowing the wearer to again walk in ease and comfort.

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JAMES S. COWARD,
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These sets were published at \$3.00, and we sell them regularly at \$1.69. This very low price will be in force to-morrow only.

Each set is in a box, including the works of such renowned writers as:

Victor Hugo, Charles Dickens, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Sir Walter Scott, Hall Caine, A. Conan Doyle, Mary J. Holmes, R. N. Cressy.

Main Floor, 50th St. Section.

Price Cuts Unprecedented---Unmatched on Holiday Goods

Startling Sale of Feather Boas.

With the prices of first-class feather boas fluctuating around the \$25.00 to \$30.00 marks these two exceptionally attractive specials cannot fail to bring immediate and immense response. At cost prices we have just secured an importer's entire stock of high-class feather boas and will sell to-morrow splendidly combined ostrich and marabout boas that are 2 1/2 yards long and comprise 5 strands, at the special price of **\$6.89**.

They are here in black, natural and light brown. The lowest known retail price heretofore was \$17.95.

Feather Boas
—Also of ostrich and marabout combined; 2 1/2 yards long and 5 strands, in black with white natural and brown with white. The lowest known retail price heretofore was \$14.95; to-morrow at **\$8.89**.

Other magnificent Feather Boas up to \$24.95.

Main Floor, 50th St. Section.



ALL CARS TRANSFER TO Bloomingtondale's LEXINGTON TO 3RD AVE 59TH TO 60TH ST

DOLLS STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL XMAS. TOYS

In a positively merciless manner have we cut prices on holiday goods. We have steadily catered to the economy trend of our public by making prices never before dreamed of. We are alone in the field of honestly low prices. Our sales have not only kept up to last year's record, but have been exceeding it. Our signal success along this line has induced others to bombastically advertise marvelous (?) reductions. But their published prices do not begin to reach the low level of ours for like goods. Make your own comparisons—we will welcome that.

We are the pioneers in the low-price campaign. We have gained a place of eminent leadership and propose to maintain it, however great the effort. We simply will NOT be undersold.

Holiday Furniture at Half Price.

You may choose from any of the following articles, now on sale in our special underprice section, and pay exactly one-half the regular marked prices. Make your own reductions.

Music Cabinets, Ce. arettes, Hall Mirrors, Desks, Book Cases,
Piano Stools, Pipe Racks, Hall Seats, Sewing Tables, Tabourets,
Duel Benches, Pe. e. la's, Parlor Tables, Library Tables, Book Stands, Etc.

These pieces having been built as samples, the construction and finish are of the finest.

MISSION FURNITURE REDUCED 33% OVER 100 STYLES
Revolving OFFICE CHAIRS REDUCED 25% 25 STYLES
LEATHER COUCHES REDUCED 25% 30 STYLES

Main Floor, 50th St. Section.

Pretty Xmas Ribbons

3 1/2 INCH SATIN 4 1/2 INCH SATIN 5 INCH SATIN
TAFFETA RIBBON, 12 1/2 YD. BON. 19c YARD TAFFETA RIBBON, 12 1/2 YD. BON. 12c YARD
4 inch Taffeta Ribbon, that sells regularly for 12c, at 18c a yard, at **12c**
Narrow Colored Satin Ribbon, for tying up your Xmas gifts, at these low prices:
No. 1, per piece, 10c; No. 1 1/2, per piece, 15c; No. 2, per piece **20c**

Main Floor, 50th St. Section.

Veils & Veilings for Gifts

We have made elaborate preparations for those who want to give veilings for Xmas. Ready-made veils or veilings by the yard are here in neat Xmas boxes at these very special prices: 39c, **\$1.98**, 50c, 75c and up to **\$1.98**

Main Floor, Lexington Ave. Section.

\$2 Sofa Pillows, \$1.00

Satin Covered.
The satin tops are in the choicest of new designs. The colorings are best and the filling is pure odorless Java down.
A really beautiful Xmas gift.

Main Floor.

Fur Lined Coats at a Saving of 50%

For men and women.
Women's \$25 Fur Lined Coats, of fine black Kersey cloth and broadcloth, 45 in. long, lined with brown Spanish sable mink and have large, soft, silky collars of brown lynx. **\$12**
Women's \$35 Fur Lined Coats, lined with soft, silky brown sable; large storm collar to match. **\$21**
Men's \$55 Fur Lined Coats, of fine black Kersey and broadcloth, 52 inches long, with English welted seams. Lined with brown Spanish mink. Placed Persian collars. **\$25**
Men's \$59 Fur Lined Coats, lined with brown Russian sable lynx, collars of blended muskrat or water mink. **\$35**
Men's \$85 Fur Lined Coats, lined with fine Fur Eastern mink or muskrat, collars of Persian lamb or brook mink. **\$49**

Second Floor, 50th St. Section.

Coats, lined with fine Fur Eastern mink or muskrat, collars of Persian lamb or brook mink.

ALL CARS TRANSFER TO Bloomingtondale's LEXINGTON TO 3RD AVE 59TH TO 60TH ST

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas.



Urgent! Don't Delay!

If you want a Piano for Christmas
Make Your Selection Immediately.

THE LAST DAYS

of our phenomenally successful Xmas sale of
\$450 Walters Concert \$225
Grand Upright Pianos
on the very easy terms of

\$5 Down and \$1 a Week

In total quality the Walters **Louis XV.** Piano is pre-eminent
in construction it is without a rival.

In artistic design and make-up there is no piano in the world at anywhere near or even double the price that can equal it. It is conceded to be the best piano ever manufactured. They are constructed on the highest plane ever known in piano building, of the very best materials that can be secured.

The Cases of the finest double veneer. They are artistically carved. In fact, they contain the very finest repeating action made; full copper-wound strings in the frame, keys are of the finest select ivory, sharps are patent covered and smooth as glass; sixteen-pound Behndt hammers, the best hammers manufactured in the world, made of the finest felt; they have three solid brass pedals and continuous hinges; new improved winding board, which will last forever; the pins are all pushed, of the very best workmanship; the backs are in brass and strictly dust-proof.

New Model **Louis XV.** 1908 Celebrated Tone-Lasting Walters Pianos have Reached the Highest Pinnacle of Piano Perfection.

The improved repeating action is one of the finest manufactured and is guaranteed in every detail for twenty-five years.

No Interest. No Insurance. No Extras. **\$225—THAT'S ALL.**
Upon Payment of \$5 We Deliver the Piano.

If you secure one of these Pianos at \$225 you get it at a price which is About 1/3 its Value. You Save \$225.

Besides making one of the best piano investments in the world, the Piano delivered within city limits will be kept in tune for one year free.

All the piano are guaranteed for ten years. A fac-simile of this guarantee is inserted in all letters in the top lid of every piano.

Mr. H. B. Walters, of the Walters Piano Co., 226 and 228 East 86th St., in a conversation with our manager, said: "The opportunity you are offering the public to-morrow should revolutionize piano selling."

"It is an offer that I have never heard the equal of in my life. It will create the biggest six days' piano selling you or any other establishment has ever had, for everybody who sees one of these beautiful, sweet-toned Pianos cannot help but admire it and will have no other piano."

"These **Louis XV.** Pianos are one of our favorites. It is one of the finest, handsomest and most beautiful Pianos we have ever made—it is perfection in piano construction, most artistic in design, and is really

A Masterpiece in Piano Building.

"We guarantee these Pianos to last a lifetime. They are one of the handsomest designs we have ever turned out, and you should see a tremendous sale of them."

Also the following Walters Pianos:
\$475 Style C Walters Pianos, \$240
\$500 Style D Walters Pianos, \$250
\$550 Style L Walters Pianos, \$260
\$600 Style K Walters Pianos, \$270
\$650 Style F Walters Pianos, \$280
\$700 Style R Walters Pianos, \$290
\$750 Walters Colonial Pianos, \$300
\$800 Walters Vertical Grand, \$310
\$850 Walters Player-Piano, \$320
\$900 Walters Baby Grand, \$330
\$950 Walters Baby Grand, \$340

Don't Put It Off!
Come early to-morrow morning, for, as Mr. Walters said, this offer is one that has never been heard of in the history of the piano trade. Piano Warehouse, 54-Floor, AUCars Transfer to BLOOMINGDALES', Lex. to 3d Ave., 59th to 60th St.

TOYS For Xmas Handkerchiefs---Bloomingtondale's DOLLS

Sale of Opera Glasses.

The Lowest Prices in America.
GENUINE LEMAIRE OPERA GLASSES at 25% less than anywhere else.
In Black Leather Cases.
11-Ligne at \$3.18; 13-Ligne at \$3.68; 15-Ligne at \$3.88.
In Rich Pearl Cases—Best grade, white, smoked or Oriental—11-Ligne at \$6.65; 13-Ligne at \$7.69; 15-Ligne at \$7.85.
\$5.00 MARINE OR FIELD GLASSES, Chevalier make, powerful lenses, with protecting cuffs, morocco case and strap, complete, at **\$2.98**
MARINE OR FIELD GLASSES at \$6.95, \$10.75 and \$11.39
Each pair of glasses has leather case.
Main Floor, Front Centre.

Sale of Xmas Books

at Lowest Prices in New York.

A SET OF 2 BOUND VOLUMES OF ST. NICHOLAS FOR 1907—Handsome than ever. Issued by the publishers at \$4.00; very special per set **\$2.69**

Special in clean, wholesome Fiction for Boys & Girls.
THE ALGER SERIES, for boys, publisher's price 35c, ours 12c
THE ALCOCK BOOKS, publisher's price \$1.50, ours 79c
THE FAMOUS PEPPER BOOKS, publisher's price \$1.50, ours 83c
THE STRATEMEYER BOOKS, publisher's price \$1.25, ours 83c
THE LITTLE COLONEL SERIES, publisher's price \$1.50, ours 85c
MRS. MEAD'S BOOKS for girls, publisher's price 60c, ours 39c
THE WELLESLEY SERIES, publisher's price 75c, ours 25c
THE RENOWNED LIE BOOKS, publisher's price \$1.25, ours 53c
THE HENRY BOOKS, popular edition, 50c, our price 12c
THE ROVER BOYS' SERIES, publisher's price 60c, ours 39c
Main Floor, Arcade.

"Baskets of Joy" for Xmas

Our famous "Baskets of Joy" make an excellent present for your janitor or employees, and you would probably enjoy one in your own family circle. These baskets are immense bargains. They cost only **\$1.49** and this is what they contain:

1 FINEST ROASTING CHICK, 3 1/2 lbs., tender, freshly killed and hand-picked. Alone worth 35c.
1 L.B. CAN PLUM PIDDING, 1 lb. can, everywhere for a dime.
1 CAN BEST CONDENSED SOUP, enough for six plates.
1 CAN BEST TOMATOES.
1 CAN BEST STRING BEANS.
1 CAN BEST POINT EXTRA FINE GROUND COFFEE.
Baskets, including one bottle of extra Port Wine. In addition to the above, costs \$1.00.
None C. O. D. Place your orders early. All will be delivered Dec. 24.
Bloomingtondale's, Basement.

Housefurnishings

Practical Gifts.
CHAFFIN DISHES, \$3.00 to \$9.12
COFFEE MAKING SETS, \$5.00 to \$9.69
PUDDING DISHES, \$1.24 to \$3.49
5 O'CLOCK TEA KETTLES, \$5.24 to \$10.23
CARVING SETS, 9c to \$4.98
NICKEL CRUMB TRAY AND SCRAPER, 25c to \$1.98
UMBRELLA STANDS, 35c to \$2.76
TEA TRAYS, \$2.50 to \$2.34
FANCY WILLOW PAPER BASKETS, 25c to \$1.56
WILLOW WORK BASKETS, 23c to 98c
FANCY WILLOW HAM-PERS, \$1.46 to \$3.98
BLACKING CASES, 98c to \$2.13
FOLDING CARD TABLES, \$1.49 to \$1.98
MEDICINE CABINETS, \$1.73 to \$5.49
CARVED WOOD BREAD BOARDS, \$3c to \$1.84
FANCY CARVED WOOD SALAD SETS, 69c to \$1.98
CARPET SWEEPERS, \$1.46 to \$3.50
SET OF 6 CHINA CUPPLERS, \$1.44
SET OF 6 SPICE JARS, 54c
FANCY HANDLED WHISKIES, 24c to 38c
Bloomingtondale's, Basement.

Dolls 2,000 Teddy Bears Here from Germany at 1-3 Less than Value

Teddy Bear Clothes also at radical underprices. The bears were imported by us direct from the best makers in Germany. The prices we paid let us sell them to you at 1-3 less than similar bears can be bought for anywhere else.

75c Teddy Bears at 59c
TEDDY BEAR SUITS, Overalls and Cap of blue flannel to fit the above, at 15c
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TEDDY BEAR SUITS, Overalls and Cap of blue flannel to fit these bears, at 19c
\$1.98 Teddy Bears, \$1.49
TEDDY BEAR SUITS, Overalls and Cap of blue flannel to fit the above, at 23c
(Main Floor, 50th St. Section.)

Men's & Boys' Suits & Overcoats Reduced

The greatest opportunity in all New York to buy clothes for Xmas at a tremendous saving.

Men's \$8.00 and \$10 Suits and \$12.00 and \$15.00 Overcoats of thoroughly dependable materials, very well made and lined.
For to-morrow only at **\$6.66** and **\$8.75**
Boys' \$4 Suits & Overcoats, of all-wool Oxford materials, in very popular new styles, for **\$2.95**
Boys' \$3.50 Suits and Overcoats, made of high grade dependable materials, sizes 5 to 15 years; special at **\$1.90**
Men's \$25 Suits and Superior Quality For 3 to 16 Year Old Boys. Great Bargains in Suits, Overalls, and Double-Breasted Suits and Fancy Overcoats. **\$19.95** **\$4.95** **\$3.95** **\$6.95** **\$3.95**
Men's Pure Worsted Trousers, **\$3.95**

Girls' and Misses' Coats Reduced

Cost and value have been entirely ignored in the making of these new prices. Quick, absolute clearance must be effected in the shortest possible space of time; therefore these:

All Wool Kersey, Cheviot and Mixture Coats, lined with red flannel; one style is illustrated; sizes for 6 to 14 years; regularly \$7.95; special at **\$4.95**
All Wool Cheviot Coats in an exceedingly attractive model, made of heavy all wool cheviot with a velvet collar, sizes 6 to 14 years reduced to **\$5.95**
Misses' Smart Coats Made of all-wool chevots, mixtures and kerseys, full length, and have a splendid swagger effect; worth \$13.50; at **\$7.95**

Women's Shoes---Sensible Gifts

Special Saturday Sale of Women's \$5, \$6, \$3.98 \$7 & \$8 Shoes, at
Tan calf, extra high cut with suede tops; patent calf and kid with dull uppers and tan cravenette tops. Dull calf with double soles and patent calf with white uppers.
Another Special Saturday Sale of "Standard" Leggings
IN BLUE, GRAY AND BROWN VELVET... **\$1.49**
IN BLUE, GRAY, BROWN AND RED CHINCHILLA... **\$1.98**
ASTRAKHAN, ALL COLORS, AT... **98c** and **\$1.23**
BEARSKIN, TAN LEATHER AND CORDUROY, AT... **98c**, **\$1.23** and **\$1.69**
ALSO BLACK JERSEY FOR WOMEN, MISSES AND CHILDREN; BEST QUALITY, AT... **49c**, **79c** and **98c**
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A huge collection of the most beautiful and desirable pieces at unmatched low prices.
Tea Sets—Quadruple plated tea pot, sugar bowl, cream pitcher and spoon holder, the two last gold lined; beautifully hand engraved; would be exceptionally good value at \$4.49; very special... **\$4.98**
Fern Dishes—Pierced design, with porcelain lining; actual value \$2.75; very special **\$1.79**
Fruit Bowls—Imported glass dishes, with quadruple plated stand; regularly \$2.69; very special... **\$1.79**
Claret Jugs—Quadruple plated jug, handsome imitation of cut glass; make a most acceptable gift; really worth \$1.50; very special **98c**
Children's Sets—Knife, Fork and Spoon, daintily boxed; specially priced at from... **49c** to **\$1.69**
Butter Dishes—An assortment of handsome new designs, with bead and roccoco border; plain burnished and hand engraved; values up to \$2.39; very special... **98c**
Bread Trays—An assortment of handsome new designs in hand engraved, burnished and French gray effects; real value \$2.75; special... **\$1.69**
Cake Baskets—Worth double our prices of **\$1.39** and **\$1.79**
Children's Caps—A most comprehensive assortment, at prices ranging from... **79c** to **\$2.98**
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"Queen" Heating Stoves

at \$4.99

Made of the best quality polished Russia iron, and have draw centre shake and dump grate, sliding fuel door, swing hearth, ash pan, cast iron pipe collar, large clinker door, nickel band and foot rail, 9-inch fire pot. This exceptionally low price includes joint of pipe, elbow and pipe collar, as well as services of a man to set it up, providing you live in this city or the Bronx. A Great Bargain at **\$4.99**
Oil Heating Stoves... **\$2.14**, **\$2.99**, **\$3.63** and **\$4.34**
Cylinder Gas Heating Stoves, **\$1.34**, **\$1.69** & **\$2.14**
Radiant Style Gas Heating Stoves, **\$1.63** and **\$1.98**
Savio Gas Heaters, the usual dollar size, at... **69c**
Bloomingtondale's, Basement.

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